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GONE TO HIS REST

Walt Whitman, the Poet, Dies at his Home

AFTER A LINGERING ILLNESS

Sketch of the Career of the Good, Gray Poet—His Humble Birth and Rise into Prominence.

CANON, N. J., March 26.—Walt Whitman, the poet, died at his home today. He had been ill for more than a year. His end was peaceful. Walt Whitman was born at West Hills, Long Island, N. Y., May 31, 1819, and was therefore 73 years of age at the time of his death. He was educated in the public schools of Brooklyn and New York City, learned the printing and subsequently the carpenter's trade, taught school, made extended



edestrian tours through the United States and Canada in 1847-48, edited a newspaper for brief periods at New Orleans and Huntington.

He was a volunteer nurse in Washington and in Virginia 1862-5; a clerkship in Washington most of his time from 1865 to '74, since which he was residing at Camden, N. J. He was the author of "Leaves of Grass" (1855), "Drum Taps" (1865), "Two Rivulets" (1873). His chief work, "Leaves of Grass," appeared in 1855. It is a collection of rhapsodical utterances without rhyme, and in some cases without rhythm, describing man's physiology complete. By many these are regarded as poetry of a low but high type; they certainly do lack keenness of thought and vigor of expression. Additions were made to the series which followed. Other writings, including a diary of hospital and camp experiences, were issued under the title of "Two Rivulets." An excised edition of "Leaves of Grass" was prepared in 1883 by W. M. Rossett.

LED A DOUBLE LIFE.

In Arrest for "Moonshining" Develops a Remarkable Case.

MONTREAL, March 26.—The police here have secretly arrested a number of moonshiners who have been running illicit stills in the out-of-the-way places of the city. One was a man named Lepontigny, and a woman. Yesterday he was sentenced to a month in jail and a fine of \$100. It developed today that Lepontigny had been leading a double life and is a Catholic priest. Only an hour or so before the arrest he officiated at a service in St. Guinegunde parish, of which he had charge the previous night. He was a eloquent preacher in French and English, and popular among his parishioners.

RUN DOWN AND KILLED.

The Girl Suffers Death and Another is Fatally Injured.

EVANSTON, Ind., March 26.—While attempting to cross the Evanston & Terre Haute tracks near the Union depot this afternoon Miss Dimmons and Slinger, aged respectively 16 and 8 were run down by a freight engine. The child died in a few minutes after the accident, and the other is not expected to recover. It is generally believed the fatality occurred owing to the gross negligence of the engineer.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Salisbury and Whiskey Lead to a Horrible Tragedy.

WASHINGTON, Indiana, March 26.—Adam Neiding, a miner, cut his wife's throat today, fled and was pursued by a mob. As the pursuers closed on him he suddenly pulled a gun, and entering a stable blew his brains out, dying instantly. The woman died in a few minutes after the frightful wound was inflicted. They leave a family of seven young children. Jealousy and whiskey caused the tragedy.

Foreclosing on Denver's Bonds.

DENVER, March 26.—The Central Trust company of New York has filed a petition in the United States circuit court asking for a foreclosure sale on the bonds of the Denver Water Works company to the amount of \$1,128,000 and interest. These bonds are part of the \$4,000,000, certified by the Central Trust company of a mortgage covering the entire plant of the water works company.

Six Men Drowned.

QUINCY, Ill., March 26.—While crossing the Mississippi river at Canton, Mo., this afternoon, a skiff containing eight colored men was accidentally capsized. Six of the number were drowned. The men were woodchoppers, returning from the work. Two who succeeded in clinging to the boat, held on until rescued. The names of the six drowned men could not be learned.

Won by the Strikers.

St. Louis, March 26.—The cabinet makers strike for nine hours a day and ten hours pay, which was inaugurated Tuesday, involving 700 men, was declared off today, the bosses granting demands.

Singular Shooting Accident.

DENVER, N. M., March 26.—Near Palomares, Mexico, a Mexican family named Young were driving along behind another wagon when a gun fell from the

GAVE THEM A HOME

The Sixth Ward Baptists will Open a Chapel

WITH APPROPRIATE EXERCISES

The Site Donated by William N. Rowe—A Description and History of the Edifice.

Below is a cut of the pretty Sixth ward Baptist chapel that will be duly dedicated this afternoon at 3 o'clock. It is located on Scribner street, one-half block north of Leonard, on a site formerly occupied by the old fire engine house. It is a structure combining beauty and utility for the purpose for which it has been built. Two years ago the Sunday-school was holding its meetings in the old engine house, when the city decided to dispose of the property and purchase property elsewhere for the purpose of erecting a new building. The school began to agitate the matter of buying the property and locating itself permanently there for a home. The school was comparatively young, having been organized only about three years,



THE SITE DONATED BY WILLIAM N. ROWE, ESQ.

and its financial condition was rather weak. W. N. Rowe, the superintendent of the school and an able and enthusiastic worker for its interests, purchased the property and presented it to the association. The school has since been offered \$1000 for it several times. The school continued to prosper and to increase in membership until something better than the old building was deemed necessary to accommodate it. A meeting of the officers and leading members of the church was held last October at the residence of W. N. Rowe and the matter was thoroughly discussed.

Decided to Build a Church. It was then decided to build a new chapel. Active work for consummating the plans was shortly inaugurated and the work continued with gratifying success. A building committee consisting of the following gentlemen was appointed: W. N. Rowe, the Rev. R. W. Van Kirk, A. D. Dods, A. D. Linn, Henry Raman, Dr. W. A. Studley and Charles W. Monroe, and steps were immediately taken to procure funds. Besides the soliciting committee each member of the school went to work for the purpose and their efforts were so successful that the building now stands completed. The small children were decorated by them at that time was \$57.50. The property as it now stands is valued at \$5000. The edifice has been constructed under the personal supervision of W. N. Rowe and Henry Green. Mr. Rowe had visited a large number of churches throughout the country and adopted a combination of the best plans found, so it is conceded by those who have examined it to be one of the best buildings for the purpose now in the United States.

Dimensions of the Building. The building is 50x70 feet in dimensions, containing a basement, auditorium and gallery. The basement has a lecture room, kitchen and ladies' and gentlemen's toilet rooms. The auditorium will seat 400 people, besides containing a library and dressing room. The gallery will also be used for baptismal services. The gallery is divided into nine class rooms, separated by sliding doors, and when occasion demands it the doors can be thrown back, making one room of that department. About 300 can be accommodated here. The rooms are nicely furnished with chairs and the floors are richly carpeted. The building is lighted with electricity. The interior has been tastefully decorated with flowers and potted plants for the occasion today. The following program has been prepared for the dedicatory exercises this afternoon.

Scripture Reading—The Rev. M. J. Haddad.
Prayer—The Rev. John Kirk.
Dedication Sermon—The Rev. R. W. Van Kirk.
Sketch of the Mission—Miss Clara Ransom.
Report of Treasurer—Mr. Chas. W. Monroe.
Report of Building Committee—Mr. W. N. Rowe.
Address—The Rev. J. L. Jackson, D. D.
Address—The Rev. J. Marshall.
Dedication Prayer—The Rev. I. Butterfield.
Floral decorations are donated by Mr. Henry Smith.

THEIR FIRST OFFENSE.

Two Boys of High Respectability Rob a Saloon.

MERRILL, Mich., March 26.—Last evening, between 5 and 7 o'clock, while the bartender in J. T. Brooks' saloon, was at supper, two young men living

north of this village by the names of Madden and Stanton, who had been drinking hard during the day, went into the waiting room of the saloon, and finding the inner door locked, effected an entrance and helped themselves to all the liquor and cigars they chose, after which they turned their attention to the money draw, relieving it of between three and four dollars. It was undoubtedly their first offense against the majesty of the law. The boys are of highly respected families, and much regret is felt for their parents. They are yet at large.

JUMPED TO HIS DEATH.

An Engine Goes Through a Bridge Into Portage Lake.

MENOMONIE, Mich., March 26.—Traction engine owned by George Ernst went through the bridge at Portage Lake, four miles east of this place this afternoon. The engine turned over and lies in ten feet of water. Henry Coleman and George Martin, who were on the engine, jumped and Martin escaped with only a good ducking. Coleman was caught between the timbers and drowned. He was a single man and a resident of Park township.

Grand Haven's Lively Campaign.

Grand Haven, Mich., March 26.—A people's convention was held here tonight, and a complete independent

HERE FOR THE SALE

Many Fine Horses will be Put Up Tuesday

IN THE GREAT WARNER AUCTION

Rules and Limitations Governing the Purchases and Sales—No By-Bids Will be Allowed—Buyers' Security.

Ray Warner's great Michigan sale of fine bred horses promises to bring to Grand Rapids great numbers of horsemen from throughout the country. The catalogue of entries shows that 240 of the best bred trotters in the country will be put up for sale. The sale will begin Tuesday at 9 a. m. at the grounds of the West Michigan Fair association and will last four days, Major L. H. Bean acting as auctioneer. Of the 240 animals entered, some 215 are from the state of Michigan, and western Michigan, Grand Rapids furnishing nearly thirty excellent specimens. Other entries are from Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky. R. P. Pepper & Son of Frankfort, Ky., owners of Onward, have entered a dozen of their best animals. Col. George B. Hayes of Frankfort, sends Emma Mack, Alcan and Fleury. W. J. Forkes of Elkhorn, Ky., sends a string of good animals. All animals are to be sold without any reserve or by bid and all known soundness or blemish in any entry will be indicated by the auctioneer. On the day of the sale the purchaser will be given an opportunity to examine his purchase and any misrepresentation of a material fact by the seller, to the injury of the buyer, will be suitably and promptly punished. All statements made by the seller as to the blemishes or unsoundness of his stock will be taken down by a clerk and not hearing the same will be no excuse for repudiation of purchase.

A Good Sale Predicted.

A large number of horses have already arrived and are reported in fine condition, and the prospects for lively bidding are good.

Landlord Pantlind of the Morton said to a reporter for THE HERALD, "All the indications point to a good sale. The class of entries is exceptionally high and some of the best horse breeders in the northwest have sent the pick of their stables." Frank Noble, owner of Alcyon, said: "I have been so engrossed in my business that I have given no time to the horses this spring and am out of touch with the news of the track. I have nominated Alcyon in the \$20,000 stake race, and have heard that his is the only nomination received so far. I shall nominate him again when the stakes have closed."

FOR ALGER AND RICH.

William Alden Smith Expresses His Political Sentiments.

Yesterday's issue of the Detroit Tribune contained this:

Wm. Alden Smith, the eloquent young republican of Grand Rapids, who made so signal a success of the state game and fish warden's office under Governor Luce, accompanied by his friends to the Cadillac. Questioned as to his candidacy for delegate-at-large to the national republican convention, he said: "I have given very little attention to politics because of three months' absence in the south and west—in Cuba, Mexico, many of the southern states, California, etc.—from which I have recently returned. I had no idea of aspiring to be a delegate-at-large until the matter was suggested to me by friends in different parts of the state, and I have done nothing whatever to promote my candidacy. A good many of the republicans in our district seem to take very kindly to the idea, and I have expressed no unwillingness to serving in that capacity if it meets with the approval of the convention."

BY HIS OWN HAND.

The Coroner's Jury Decided That Mustill So Died.

Coroner Bradish held an inquest yesterday afternoon over the remains of John C. Mustill, who was found Friday night in the alley in the rear of McCuen & McWain's saloon on East Bridge street with his throat cut. Fred Walts, a bartender in the saloon, testified that Mustill came into the place in the evening and asked for a pencil and piece of paper. They were given to him, but no notice was taken of what he did with them, as Walts and three others were engaged in a game of pedro. Patrolman James Fahy testified to the circumstances of finding the body as described in THE HERALD yesterday morning. Undertaker O'Brien was sworn, and said that he had discovered that the top of Mustill's cap was broken on the right side. Detective Smith described the surroundings of the alley where the dead man was found and the manner in which the knife was found by tracing the track through the lunch room. Other witnesses who were engaged in the game of pedro saw Mustill enter the lunch room, but did not see him come out. They heard the side door of the saloon slam, but saw no one leave the room. It was his custom to help himself to the lunch, so his action was not thought strange. C. M. Kinney, the blacksmith for whom Mustill had been working, identified the writing on the envelope found in his pocket, as that of the deceased. The jury decided that the deceased came to his death by his own act. It was thought that he fell from exhaustion and that his skill was broken by striking on the frozen ground.

LET SEVERAL CONTRACTS.

The Board of Public Works Held a Session Yesterday Afternoon.

The board of public works met in regular session yesterday afternoon. The following contracts were let: Contracting sewer in Wealthy avenue from Buchanan to Ionia street, Joseph Owens, carpenter's addition to Grandville avenue, Joseph Owens, \$271; improvement of Fremont street, from Fourth street to Walker avenue, J. B. Hoag, \$2000; improvement of Grand avenue, from Lyon street to Russell's Highland park addition, Fickett &

HE WILL NOT YIELD

Salisbury Determined Not to Renew the Modus Vivendi.

HIS ACTION SEEMS TO BE FINAL

The Feeling in England—The Liberal Change Front, and Are Inclined to Oppose Him.

LONDON, March 26.—It is reported that Lord Salisbury is more resolute than ever not to renew the modus vivendi and that the meditated liberal attack upon the government policy in Behring sea has only strengthened the purpose of the ministry in this respect.

Strong Anti-American Feeling.

The government feels that it will be sustained by the country in refusing to accede to the American demand, and it is generally admitted that the latest move of President Harrison threatening the use of the military and naval forces of the United States to enforce the American claim to exclusive rights in the Behring sea has aroused a strong anti-American feeling among the masses which is reflected in the press of all shades of political opinion.

Action of the Senate.

WASHINGTON, March 26.—The senate in executive session Friday afternoon finally reached a definite conclusion in regard to the final disposition of the Behring sea arbitration treaty. The strong opposition which was developed against a ratification while the present conditions existed succeeded in adapting the minority report of the committee on foreign relations. While a majority of this committee favored the adoption of a resolution authorizing the president to use whatever means became necessary to protect American interests in northern waters, the minority objected to the commencement of arbitration proceedings unless both governments cooperate in the protecting of the seal fisheries. The claim of the minority was founded on the theory that protected and encouraged poaching would exterminate the seals before a decision could be rendered by a tribunal of arbitration.

Must Come to Terms.

The senate added an amendment which provides that the treaty shall not become effective until Great Britain consents to a renewal of the modus vivendi. Whenver both governments reach an agreement by which marine cooperation will be given to securing a close season the treaty admitting the whole question to arbitration will become operative. In case Great Britain persists in the refusal outlined by Lord Salisbury and the entire burden of maintaining a close season rests with the United States the matter will not be submitted to arbitration.

Because of the small number of senators present at the executive session a final vote on the question of ratification was postponed until Monday. There will be, however, no changes made in the treaty other than those adopted Friday, and it will be formally ratified on Monday.

A Change of Front.

LONDON, March 26.—Until the liberal leaders have examined the Behring sea correspondence, which Mr. Lorthwick promises to place in the hands of members of parliament on Monday next, no party action will be taken on the question. But from the cable dispatches giving the drift of the correspondence as laid before the United States senate they have already decided to adopt an attitude of opposition.

A week ago the liberal leaders were inclined to support Lord Salisbury, and the liberal organs until Thursday took a view adverse to the position assumed by the United States government. Whether it is policy that directs this change of front or a reassessment of the justice of the American claims, it is certain that the leaders of the opposition have decided to attack Lord Salisbury.

Will Avenger Lord Salisbury.

The whole tenor of opinions expressed in the lobby of the house of commons indicates that the opposition means to seize the chance to arraign Lord Salisbury as pursuing a needlessly vexatious course instead of assenting to the reasonable arrangement offered by the Washington government.

The last number of the Speaker, Mr. Gladstone's organ, contains an inspired article, which, after analyzing expert evidence on seal killing, maintains that the renewal of the modus vivendi ought to be assented to by the British government and continues:

"Who should the government be asked to provide the success of Canadian fishermen who deliberately endeavor to destroy the seal? We are not going to war with the United States, not even in the interests of the fishermen of the empire, and pending arbitration, it is unjust to refuse to determine the arrangement which was part of the negotiation under which arbitration was agreed on."

Was Inevitable.

Whatever may be the issue, the idea of an armed collision is disclaimed on all sides here as supremely improbable. The cable dispatches giving a formidable list of United States cruisers and revenue vessels preparing for Behring sea are received with incredulous surprise.

Within the house of commons interest in the matter centers solely in the question of how much party advantage may be derived from the controversy. Neither side has the remotest sense of any grave issue impending affecting peace. Outside of parliament opinion is very slight.

Amalgamation of a Syndicate.

WOODBURY, N. J., March 26.—The American Rubber, Spool and Shuttle Company, George Munroe Endicott, president, and Edwin A. Jones, treasurer, the syndicate which has been secured control of nearly all the factories in the state of business in the country, has announced for the benefit of its stockholders.